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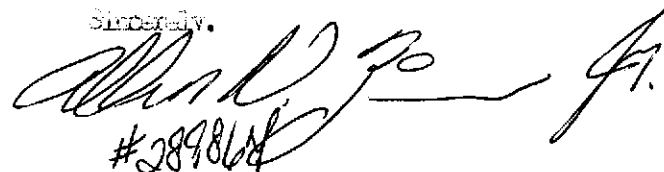
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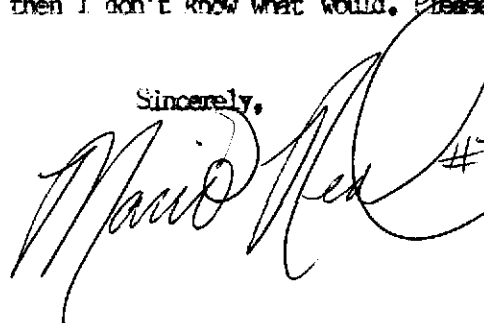
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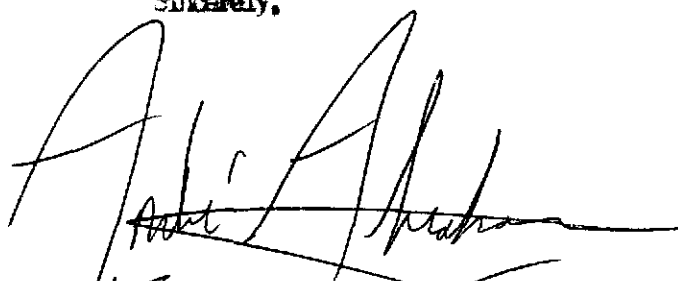
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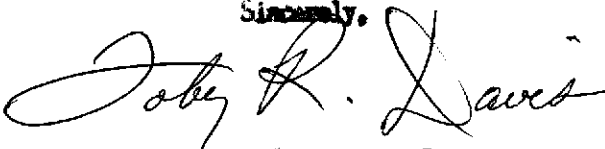
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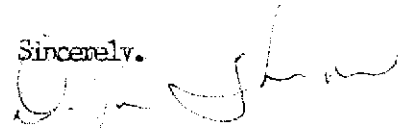
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W. Vestly #826713

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Sincerely,

Wright
#381402

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Received & Inspected

MAR 13 2013

FCC Mail Room

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Sincerely,

Derrick Hampton EL
#224610

This is a public comment for the WRIGHT PETITION (CC Docket #12-375)

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Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
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Sincerely,

Steven Spinks
665120

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Sincerely,


#339581

This is a public comment for the NACM petition (CC docket #12-579) Received & Inspected

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

MAR 13 2013

FCC Mail Room

Dear Chairman Genachowski,

I'm writing to ask for you to act on the NACM petition to cap inmate telephone rates and stop the exploitation of prisoners and their loved ones.

I'm serving time in the Arizona Department Of Corrections. Since coming to prison, I've tried to remain in close contact with my family and friends, but with each passing year it becomes more difficult. Despite publicly trumpeting the benefits of prisoners remaining in close contact with their families, the self serving policies and actions by the A.D.C. are continuing to tear at the very fabric of these bonds.

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The A.D.C. claims it needs to make its share to make up its deficit. Prisoners and their families could not be charged outrageous rates to support prison upkeep, and should rather be made to be whole on their own. As for the telephone provider, they get a thirty percent cut of the overcharges. Moreover, the telephone provider has already built in their cost and profit margins for providing the actual telephone service. Public Communication Services is Arizona's current provider and they are making more money from administering this sham fund than they are from providing the actual telephone service.

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Sincerely,

 #36718

This is a public comment for the WRIGHT PETITION (CC District #13-375)

Chairman Julius Genovesi
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Sincerely,

#463579

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Chairman Julius Genachowski
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Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Sincerely,

Dorine Hunt
#221000

FCC Mail Room

MAR 13 2013

Received & Inspected

This is a public comment for the WRIGHT PETITION (CC Docket #12-175)

Received & Inspected

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
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Chairman Julius Genachowski

Federal Communications Commission

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Washington, DC 20554

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Sincerely,



#673581

This is a public comment for the WUCCF PETITION (CC Decree #12-375)

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission

Received & Inspected

Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

MAR 13 2013

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Sincerely,

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Federal Communications Commission
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Sincerely,


#340322

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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
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Washington, DC 20554

Received & Inspected

MAR 13 2013

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Hamano x Rick #29059
Sincerely,

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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Terance Calhoun #63888
Sincerely,

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Received & Inspected

MAR 19 2013

FCC Mail Room

Chairman Julius Genesowski
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20534

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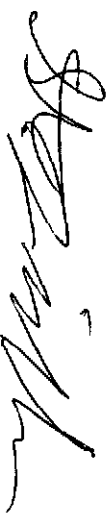
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Sincerely,



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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
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445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20534

Received & Inspected

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Sincerely, *Jimmie Huron*
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Homer M. Wright

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Sincerely,

A. Martin #10261

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Sincerely,

Mr. Dante Coleman

#322931

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THIS IS A PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THE ABOVE PETITION (00-000000-12-0/0)

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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
Public Comment
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Washington, DC 20554

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Sincerely, *Anthony Lewis*
#418420

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Sincerely,


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Sincerely, *Murray Bey*
#199134

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192993

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